

# \$150,000 FIRE VISITS TONOPAH

## Machine Shops and Round House of Tonopah and Goldfield Railroad Completely Destroyed

It took the fire demon less than one hour last night to completely destroy the machine shop and round house of the Tonopah and Goldfield railroad company located at this place.

Shortly after 9 o'clock an alarm of fire was turned in for a blaze in the railroad company's property south of the depot. Before the fire department arrived upon the scene the entire building was a mass of flames so rapid was their spread. The loss to the company is estimated conservatively at \$150,000. Included in the destruction were three engines, numbers 11, 51 and 101, ranging in price from \$12,000 to \$15,000. Two engines on the side track east of the round house were also destroyed. Insurance will cover about half the loss.

### ORIGIN OF THE FIRE.

No one seems to know just how the fire started. Mike Donohue, who was the first to notice the smoke, states that it emanated from an oil room in the machine shop. He had filled one engine with water and was about to fill another when his attention was attracted to a dense smoke coming from the oil room. He at once went to the room and upon opening the door was met with an explosion which knocked him off his feet and caused the flames to enrap

him. Mr. Donohue resumed his feet to find that he was a mass of flames. He ran to the open air and buried himself in the loose dirt, extinguishing the flames that were endeavoring to eat him up. He was assisted by George Tweedy, a hostler in the employ of the railroad, who told the burned man that if he were able to make his way to a hospital to do so. Donohue was helped to the Miners hospital by friends, where his injuries were treated. It was found by Dr. Mapes, the attending physician, that the victim was suffering from a badly burned right hand, while his left hand and arm also suffered at the hands of the flames. While Mr. Donohue is not seriously injured, it will be many days before he is able to use the injured members. He has been employed by the railroad company in the capacity of a machinist.

### LARGE CROWD SEES FIRE.

Several thousand people were attracted to the fire. Reports flew thick and fast that the engines which were being consumed by the flames were filled with oil and that an explosion was inevitable. The police were busy in keeping the crowds back in order that serious accidents might not follow.

### BUILDINGS TUMBLE IN.

After the fire had progressed for

some time the buildings tumbled in, thus reducing the spread of the flames considerably and saving the adjoining warehouses which up to the time of the caving in were in immediate danger of being consumed.

### FIREMEN WORK HARD.

The members of the fire department worked like Trojans in an effort to save the structure. However, their efforts were futile. There are no plugs in the immediate vicinity of the burned structures, a fact which had much to do with the complete destruction of the buildings. Had the company provided plugs for such an emergency as arose last evening, it is fair to presume that the loss would have been much less.

### BUILDINGS EATEN UP.

The fire had little trouble eating up the buildings. The roof and the sides were of corrugated iron, while the interior was almost entirely frame work, the latter well soaked with oil, which made the work of the fire an easy task.

### DONOHUE INTERVIEWED.

Mr. Donohue, the man who was burned, has seen last evening by a representative of the Bonanza. As he sat in his home suffering from his injuries, he told of the origin of the fire so far as he knew. He said that

he had been filling the engines with water. He saw a cloud of smoke coming from an oil room at one end of the building and went to investigate. "When I opened the door," he said, "an explosion occurred. Before I could regain my feet after the explosion had knocked me down, I was enveloped in flames. I ran to the outside of the building and covered myself with loose dirt, thus extinguishing the fire that was devouring me. I cannot say just how the fire started. I have told you all I know. I do know that my hands are badly burned and that I am suffering a great deal."

### ANOTHER ACCOUNT.

A representative of the railroad stated later on to a representative of this paper that the fire got its origin in one of the pits in the round house. This information, says the official, was conveyed to him by one of the watchmen, of whom there are four.

### FATE AGAINST COMPANY.

Fate seemed to play an important factor in the fire much to the detriment of those who were trying to extinguish the flames and to save a portion of the burning stock. One of the large engines outside the round house could have been saved

with very little loss had not another engine which was on its way to pull it out ran off the track within a few yards of the burning locomotive. There are those who believe that a switch was thrown. Circumstantial evidence lends color to that theory.

### FIRST BIG FIRE.

The fire last evening resulted in the greatest loss that has been sustained by the railroad company since it began its operations in this section, dated as far back as 1904. The road has been extremely fortunate. It has maintained the very best of equipment and while the buildings destroyed last evening were not the best, the interior fittings, including tools and machinery, were of the most modern type. It is in the loss of the latter that the damage foots up such a large sum.

### WILL THEY BE REBUILT.

No information could be learned at the offices of the company last evening as to whether or not the company would rebuild their shops here. The main officials of the company were immediately communicated with, but up to the hour of going to press, the Bonanza learns that no reply had been received in answer to the telegrams sent from Tonopah to Philadelphia.

### PEOPLE CONJECTURE.

Many were the conjectures by people of this city last evening to the future of the shops as far as Tonopah were concerned. Many voiced the opinion that the company would transfer that part of its business to the town of Millers, where a recently constructed building in place, while as many others believe the company would start once erecting a more substantial edifice.

The railroad company still has four big monster engines in yards that were not destroyed and will not be retarded in handling of their passenger and freight traffic.

Chief of Police Malley and office were the first on the scene and yeomen service in fighting the fire. The paid and volunteer departments are surely entitled to great praise for their fearless and valiant work in subduing the flames. Had it not been blowing to the southwest the big oil tanks west of the machine shops and the Tonopah Lumber company's yards would have ignited and the city of Tonopah would undoubtedly be at this writing being smoldering mass of ruins. This Tonopah's first big fire where figures run over \$100,000.

## EXCESSIVE HEAT IN THE EAST KILLS MANY PEOPLE

Hot Spell Sweeping Over Many Sections of the Atlantic Seaboard.

(Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, June 28.—Ten deaths superinduced by excessive heat were reported by the police today. Numerous cases of prostrations were cared for at the hospitals. A cooling breeze swept over the city tonight, which brought temporary relief. The thermometer was near the 80 mark all day. An emergency order has been issued to the police to allow men and boys to sleep in the city parks. The Salvation Army will take 25,000 poor children on a lake trip tomorrow.

NEW YORK, July 28.—The second of a series of cooling local thunder storms broke with the violence of a cloudburst late this afternoon. It was caused by a sudden drop in the temperature. The storm was responsible for the death of one man and injury to several others. At the Polo grounds the game between New York and Brooklyn was about to begin when lightning struck the flag pole in the center field smashing the upper portion of the staff to splinters and tearing down the pennant flag.

In Brooklyn, John Freeman tried to extinguish a fire started by lightning in a pile of rubbish around an iron telephone pole. Freeman threw a pail of water on the fire and fell dead, killed by electricity. Before relief came two deaths were added to the long list of temperature victims. There were scores of prostrations.

CLEVELAND, June 28.—One man dead and one attempted suicide on account of the heat today. Four were prostrated.

INDIANAPOLIS, June 28.—Two deaths and many prostrations resulted on account of the heat in Indiana today.

PHILADELPHIA, June 28.—Nine more deaths were added today to the list of heat victims in this city. The total deaths number more than forty.

## SPEEDING AUTO IS HIT BY LOCOMOTIVE

LODI, June 27.—Five Nevadans narrowly escaped death when their automobile collided with a locomotive at the railroad crossing near the depot in this city today, their lives being saved by the engineer, who applied the emergency brakes, and by their ability to jump from the automobile before the collision occurred. D. J. Stacey of Yerington, Nevada, his wife and two children were in the machine, and the chauffeur attempted to beat the train to the crossing. The engineer saw the danger and applied his brakes. The occupants of the automobile jumped just as the locomotive struck the machine on the side, wrecking it probably beyond repair. The automobilists were slightly injured by jumping from their rapidly moving machine.

## WRIGHT BROTHERS FAIL TO FLY

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, July 28.—Owing to the strong wind the Wright brothers failed to make the expected airplane flight over Fort Myer this afternoon. Wilbur explained that the machine was new and that they never made flights in a machine until it had been tested in the best possible weather. He said they would make a flight as soon as ideal weather conditions presented the opportunity.

### LOSER SHOTS WHEN CROWD CHEERS WINNER

VERA CRUZ (Mex.), June 28.—Because the spectators applauded the winner of a prize fight here today, the loser of the fight emptied his revolver into the crowd. Four persons were wounded.

## SEVENTY DAYS OF BIG DEBATE IN THE SENATE

PREPARATION BEING MADE FOR TALKS ON THE INCOME TAX.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, July 28.—After seventy days of almost continuous debate, the senate today at 3:45 p. m. concluded its discussions of the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill. Five minutes afterward the senate adjourned for the day to permit the preparation for the corporation and income tax debate, which will begin tomorrow. It is understood that the opening speech will be in support of the income tax amendment to be made by Cummings of Iowa. Today's proceedings consisted in a general clearing up of the passed over provisions. Cotton bagging, cotton ties and incidentally binding twine occupied much of the senate's time.

## BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE.  
At Philadelphia—New York 2, Philadelphia 1.

At Chicago—Detroit 2, Chicago 1.  
At Washington—Boston 6, Washington 5.

At St. Louis—St. Louis 6, Cleveland 0.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.  
At Boston—Philadelphia 5, Boston 3.

At New York—New York-Brooklyn game postponed on account of rain.

At Cincinnati—Pittsburg 3, Cincinnati 2.

THE METAL MARKET.  
(By Associated Press.)  
NEW YORK, June 28.—Lead, 4.35 @ 4.45; copper, 13.25 @ 13.625; silver, 52.375.

W. W. Keith of the Tonopah and Tidewater railroad, with offices at Goldfield, was an arrival in Tonopah yesterday morning.

Weston is now beating it across the Nevada farming lands. Jack interested.

## UNION MEN AND CAR OWNERS COME TOGETHER

SETTLEMENT ARRIVED AT IN THE MAYOR'S OFFICE LAST NIGHT.

(By Associated Press.) PITTSBURGH, June 28.—A twelve-hours' parley between Mayor Magee, the striking motormen and conductors ended tonight with no results. As expressed by the mayor the situation remains unchanged. Riots broke out in several places during the day, at two of which shots were exchanged between strike sympathizers and police. No one was wounded. All the police force of greater Pittsburg, numbering over 1000 men, is constantly on duty. With the exception of United States mail cars, no other cars were operated. Many non-union workmen are arriving.

PITTSBURGH, July 28.—A settlement of the Pittsburg traction strike was made tonight. Cars will be put in operation at 5 o'clock tomorrow morning. An agreement was made at a conference of union men and the street car company officials in the mayor's office tonight.

### NOTED TROTTER DEAD.

(By Associated Press.) RACINE (Wis.), June 25.—Jay See, known the country over as the first 2:10 trotter, died today on the Pleasantview farm. The grave will be marked with a granite shaft. Jay Eye See was 31 years of age. He was by Dickter, out of Midnight, and was a full brother to the famous Dexter.

### RELEASE 35 MEMBERS OF MEXICAN KU KLUX

MONTEREY (Mex.), June 27.—The thirty-five persons who were arrested for alleged alliance with a cult here known as the Ku Klux Klan, in connection with the dynamiting of the house of Attorney Flores, were released yesterday. Ferino, the principal, and the man who threw the bomb is alone detained. It is thought he is feigning insanity.

Anheuser-Busch beer on draught at the O. P. 6-16-4f

## EASTMAN-WOODILL AFFAIR IS DRAWING TO A CLOSE

Coroner's Jury Places Blame of Woman's Murder Upon Lame Bob.

(Associated Press.)

ST. MICHAELS, June 28.—With a compromise verdict of the coroner's jury that Robert Eastman either killed or was an accessory to the murder of Edith May Woodill and the declaration of State Attorney Taylor that he was through with the case, today closed the strange dual tragedy which for nearly a week has focused the eyes of the entire country on this little out of the way Hamlet. Four of the twelve jurors refused to sign the verdict until the words "or accessory to the crime," were added to the draft which was approved by the majority, bluntly accused Eastman of the murder. Four dissenting jurymen merely wished to protest, they said, against the manner in which the inquiry was conducted, declaring that much available evidence wasn't adduced. The jury for a time sat in the bungalow itself. During the night some one with ill-judged humor, planted a tomato vine on Eastman's grave. Mrs. Eastman visited the place today. Thinking the vine a native flower, she asked what it was. No one had the temerity to tell her. Mrs. Eastman was granted letters of administration, and all her husband's real and personal property will be turned over to her. She will soon return to the stage.

## DESTRUCTIVE FIRE AT COALINGA, CAL.

(By Associated Press.) COALINGA (Cal.), July 28.—A fire believed to be of incendiary origin, destroyed property valued at \$25,000 here early today. The authorities are searching for a discharged employe of the Coalinga Lumber company suspected concerning the starting of the blaze. The flames were discovered on the roof of the "dry building" of the Cross Lumber company and spread rapidly. The building was a total loss. It was found that kerosene had been poured over the lumber.

### HEINZE EXPLAINS.

NEW YORK, June 28.—Arthur Heinze, convicted last week in connection with the disappearance of books of the United Copper company, appeared before the assistant United States district attorney today and was questioned regarding the missing books. It is said officially that Heinze furnished the prosecution valuable information about the removal and mutilation of the books.

## REWARD OFFERED FOR DYNAMITERS

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, June 28.—Mayor Busse was today authorized by the finance committee of the city council to offer a reward of \$3000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the persons responsible for the explosion last night in the down town district. The police are divided between the theory that the explosion was another bomb in the Chicago gamblers warfare, and that it resulted in labor disagreements.

### BRANDENBURG TRIAL NEARING ITS END

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, June 28.—The end of the trial of Broughton Brandenburg, charged with grand larceny in connection with the sale of the alleged spurious letter of Grover Cleveland to the New York Times, drew near today with the commencement of the summing up by attorneys for the defense. The case will go to the jury tomorrow.

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